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A BATTLE IS RAGING WITH NOTHING LESS THAN THE FUTURE AT STAKE. THE EMERGENCE OF A NEW INHUMAN, ULYSSES, WITH THE POWER TO SEE THE FUTURE, HAS DIVIDED THE WORLD'S SUPER HEROES.

ULYSSES HAD A VISION OF BRUCE BANNER LOSING CONTROL AND BECOMING THE INCREDIBLE HULK, LEADING TO MUCH DEATH AND DEVASTATION.

AIMING TO PREVENT THIS TERRIBLE COURSE OF EVENTS, CAROL DANVERS AND TONY STARK LED A CONTINGENT OF SUPER HEROES TO BANNER'S SECRET LABORATORY IN UTAH.

WHEN CONFRONTED, BANNER APPEARED TO LOSE HIS TEMPER...AND WAS SHOT DEAD BY CLINT BARTON, A.K.A. HAWKEYE, WHO CLAIMS HE WAS ACTING ON BANNER'S INSTRUCTIONS...

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ALPINE, UTAH.
JULY 19TH. 4:58 PM.
CLINT BARTON...
...I'M PLACING YOU UNDER ARREST FOR THE MURDER OF ROBERT BRUCE BANNER.

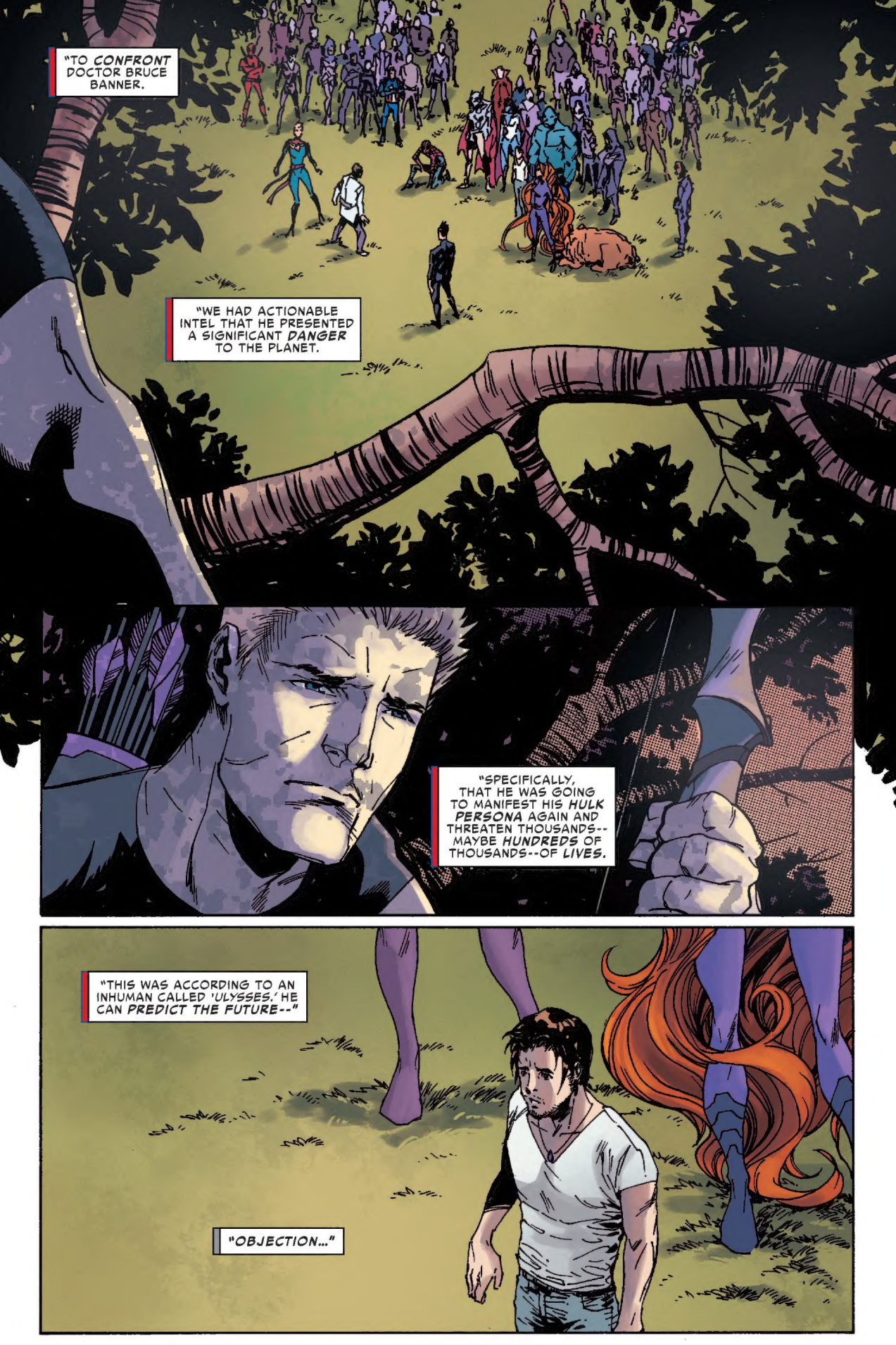
ONE MONTH LATER.
HELL'S KITCHEN, NEW YORK CITY.
Apparently, while I was keeping Hell's Kitchen safe, the world was going to all *manner* of hell.
I didn't know Bruce Banner well.
CHAK
And I knew next to nothing about this *Inhuman precog* involved in his *death.*
CHOK
But that all changed in a *hurry.*
Cell phone.
BZZZT
She says her name is *Evelyn Stanzler* and she works for the *Justice Department.*
And she wants to pull me in on a *federal prosecution.*

12 HOURS LATER.
METROPOLITAN CORRECTIONAL CENTER.
150 PARK ROW, NEW YORK CITY.
But not just *any* prosecution.
The case the bubbleheads on TV are already calling "*the trial of the millennium.*"
JUSTICE FOR HEROES
FREE BARTON
CLINT = HERO
No *pressure.*
And not at all what I had in mind when I decided to make being a *prosecutor* Daredevil's "*day job.*"
MISTER MURDOCK.
EVELYN STANZLER. D.O.J. CRIMINAL DIVISON.
MS. STANZLER. NICE TO MEET YOU.
THANKS AGAIN FOR STEPPING IN ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE.
THANKS AGAIN FOR THINKING OF ME.
YOU'LL HAVE TO LEAVE *THAT* OUTSIDE, I'M AFRAID.
EXCUSE ME?
YOUR *BRIEFCASE.* ACTUALLY, EVERYTHING *INSIDE*--PENS, PENCILS, PAPERCLIPS, STAPLES...
...HE CAN *WEAPONIZE* THEM ALL.

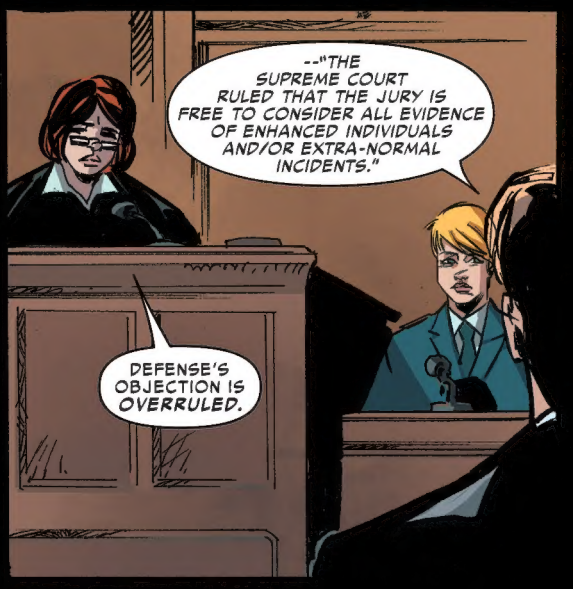
WELL, COUNSELOR?
MAN TWO. TEN YEARS. OUT IN SIX.
NO, THANK YOU.
THIS IS A GIFT--
I'M NOT LOOKING FOR GIFTS...
...MS. STANZLER, MISTER MURDOCK, YOUR OFFER IS REJECTED.
CLINT BARTON, A.K.A. "HAWKEYE." FORMER AVENGER.

I DON'T DESERVE ANY "GIFT."
I KILLED A MAN. I KILLED A FRIEND.
I HAD A REASON AND IT WAS A GOOD ONE.
BUT MAYBE IT WASN'T THE RIGHT ONE.
MAYBE I MADE A TERRIBLE-- THE MOST TERRIBLE-- MISTAKE.
MISTER BARTON, LET ME TELL YOU TWO THINGS--
FIRST, IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR THIS TRIAL TO TELL YOU IF YOU DID THE RIGHT THING, NEITHER AN ACQUITTAL NOR A CONVICTION IS GOING TO END UP TELLING YOU ANYTHING.
AND SECOND?
MY PERSONAL FEELINGS ASIDE, I HAVE ONLY ONE JOB HERE.
AND THAT IS TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT YOUR LIFE ENDS AT THE POINT OF A NEEDLE.

TRIAL DAY ONE.
MISTER MURDOCK, CALL YOUR FIRST WITNESS.
THE STATE CALLS...
...CAROL DANVERS, COLONEL, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE.
I'M ALSO KNOWN TO SOME AS CAPTAIN MARVEL.
"I SUPPOSE, TECHNICALLY, IT SHOULD BE COLONEL MARVEL, BUT..."
CAN YOU RECALL THE EVENTS OF JULY 19th OF THIS YEAR?
OF COURSE.
I WAS PART OF A CONSORTIUM OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE SUPER HERO COMMUNITY WHO TRAVELED TO A LOCATION OUTSIDE OF ALPINE, UTAH.
FOR WHAT PURPOSE?


"TO CONFRONT DOCTOR BRUCE BANNER.
"WE HAD ACTIONABLE INTEL THAT HE PRESENTED A SIGNIFICANT DANGER TO THE PLANET.
"SPECIFICALLY, THAT HE WAS GOING TO MANIFEST HIS HULK PERSONA AGAIN AND THREATEN THOUSANDS--MAYBE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS--OF LIVES.
"THIS WAS ACCORDING TO AN INHUMAN CALLED 'ULYSSES.' HE CAN PREDICT THE FUTURE--"
"OBJECTION..."

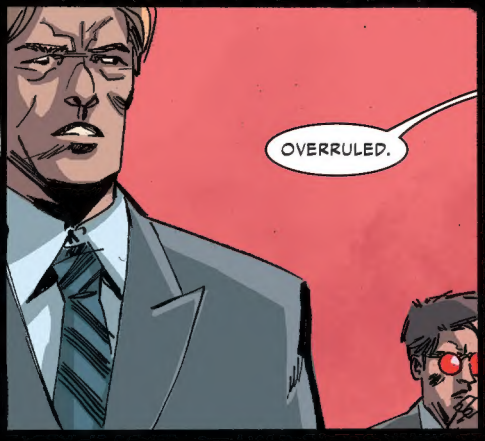
...YOUR HONOR, THIS INHUMAN'S ALLEGED PRECOGNITIVE ABILITIES HAVE NOT BEEN VERIFIED.
INDEED, UPON INFORMATION AND BELIEF, THERE IS REAL CONFLICT WITHIN THE SUPER HERO COMMUNITY AS TO THE RELIABILITY OF HIS SO-CALLED "PREDICTIONS."
STARK V. MAXIMOFF, COUNSEL--


--"THE SUPREME COURT RULED THAT THE JURY IS FREE TO CONSIDER ALL EVIDENCE OF ENHANCED INDIVIDUALS AND/OR EXTRA-NORMAL INCIDENTS."
DEFENSE'S OBJECTION IS OVERRULED.

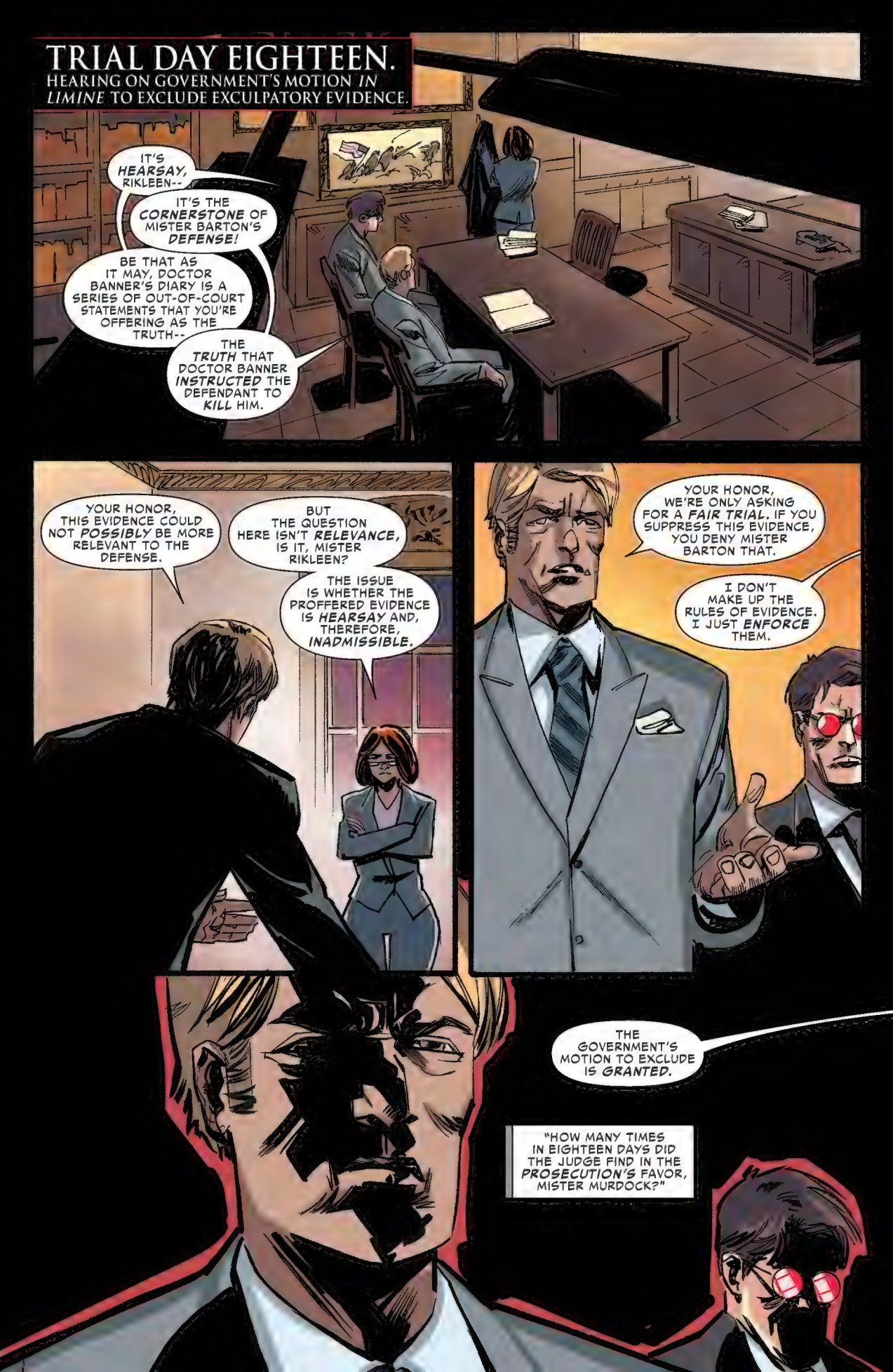
TRIAL DAY TWO.

TRIAL DAY FIVE.

TRIAL DAY SEVEN.

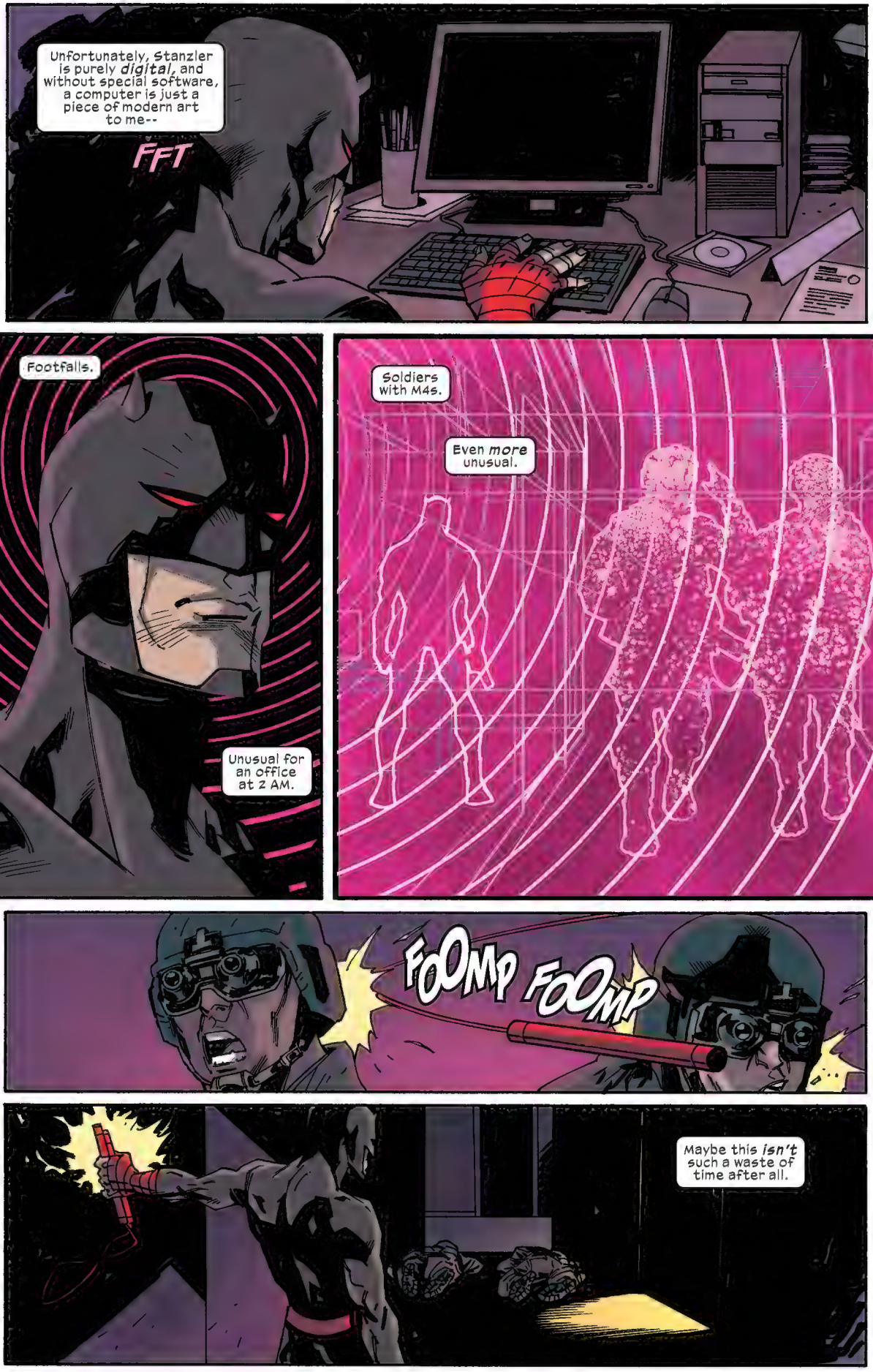


TRIAL DAY TEN.


TRIAL DAY EIGHTEEN.
HEARING ON GOVERNMENT'S MOTION *IN LIMINE* TO EXCLUDE EXCULPATORY EVIDENCE.
IT'S *HEARSAY*, RIKLEEN--
IT'S THE *CORNERSTONE* OF MISTER BARTON'S *DEFENSE!*
BE THAT AS IT MAY, DOCTOR BANNER'S DIARY IS A SERIES OF OUT-OF-COURT STATEMENTS THAT YOU'RE OFFERING AS THE TRUTH--
THE *TRUTH* THAT DOCTOR BANNER *INSTRUCTED* THE DEFENDANT TO *KILL* HIM.
YOUR HONOR, THIS EVIDENCE COULD NOT *POSSIBLY* BE MORE RELEVANT TO THE DEFENSE.
BUT THE QUESTION HERE ISN'T *RELEVANCE*, IS IT, MISTER RIKLEEN?
THE ISSUE IS WHETHER THE PROFFERED EVIDENCE IS *HEARSAY* AND, THEREFORE, *INADMISSIBLE*.
YOUR HONOR, WE'RE ONLY ASKING FOR A *FAIR TRIAL*. IF YOU SUPPRESS THIS EVIDENCE, YOU DENY MISTER BARTON THAT.
I DON'T MAKE UP THE RULES OF EVIDENCE. I JUST *ENFORCE* THEM.
THE GOVERNMENT'S MOTION TO EXCLUDE IS *GRANTED*.
"HOW MANY TIMES IN EIGHTEEN DAYS DID THE JUDGE FIND IN THE *PROSECUTION'S* FAVOR, MISTER MURDOCK?"

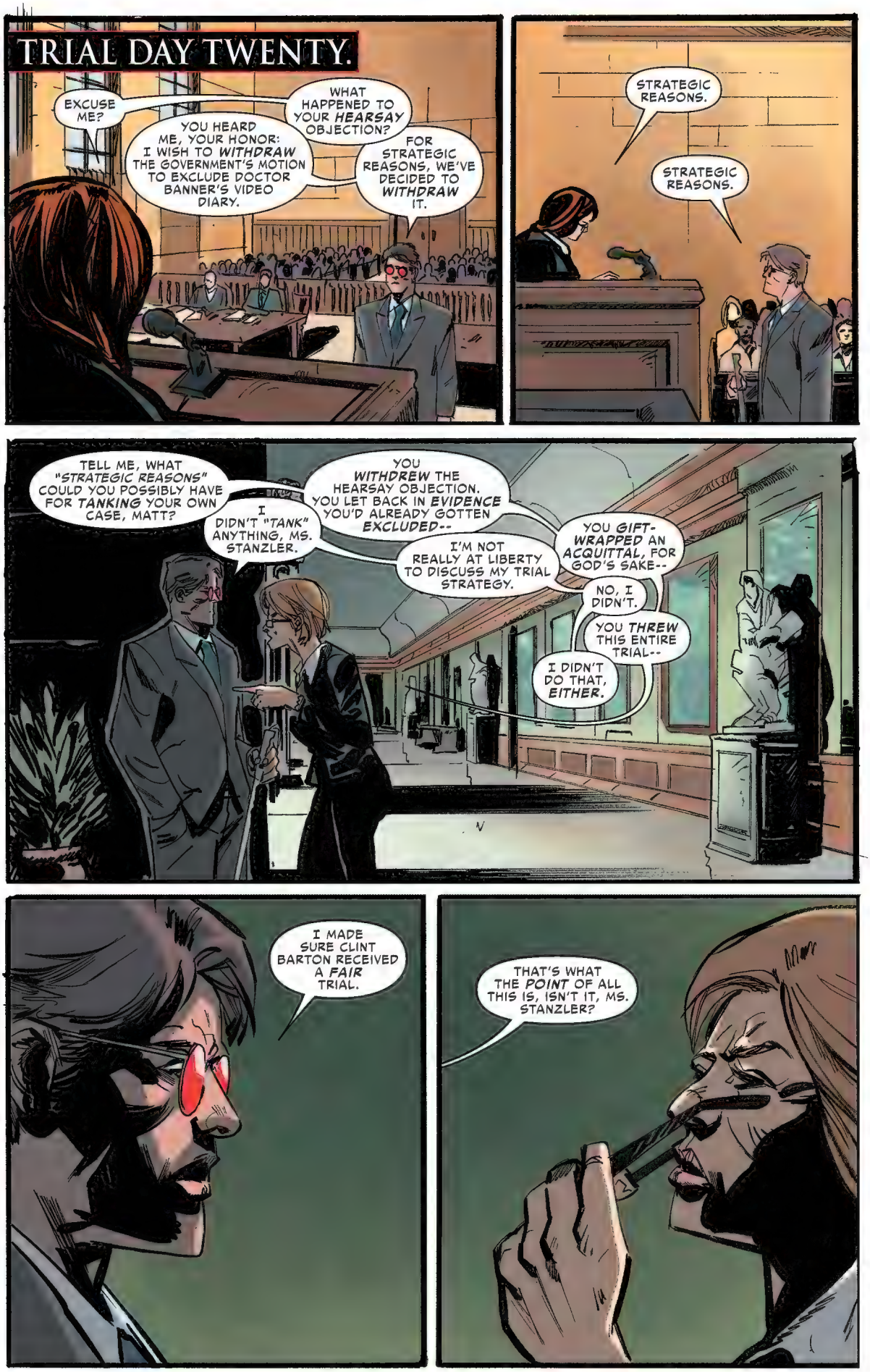
I'LL ROUND THE NUMBER FOR YOU: ALL OF THEM.
I'M NOT "IMPLYING" ANYTHING. I'M STATING IT OUTRIGHT...
WHAT ARE YOU IMPLYING, MISTER RIKLEEN?
...THERE'S A CONSPIRACY AFOOT TO PUT CLINT BARTON IN PRISON.
IT STARTED WITH PUSHING THROUGH A YEAR'S WORTH OF PRE-TRIAL PROCEDURE IN A MONTH.
AND IT'S CONTINUING AT TRIAL WITH A JUDGE CLEARLY BIASED IN THE PROSECUTION'S FAVOR.
SAID PROSECUTION BEING LED BY A STATE A.D.A.
JUDGE RAPPAPORT IS A STRICT CONTRUCTIONIST.
AS FOR ME PROSECUTING, MS. STANZLER BROUGHT ME IN BECAUSE OF MY EXPERIENCE WITH SUPERHUMAN LITIGATION.
NO, MISTER MURDOCK, SHE BROUGHT YOU IN BECAUSE SHE CAN CONTROL YOU.
YOU DON'T HAVE ANY EVIDENCE OF THAT.
REALLY?
WHO DEVISED THE TRIAL STRATEGY HERE, YOU OR HER?
WHO HELPED YOU PICK THE JURY?
WHO'S WRITING THE GOVERNMENT'S LEGAL BRIEFS?
IT'S A COLLABORATION--
WHICH IS ANOTHER WORD FOR "CONSPIRACY."
BUT DON'T TAKE MY WORD FOR IT. YOU SAY YOU'RE NOT A PUPPET? FINE...

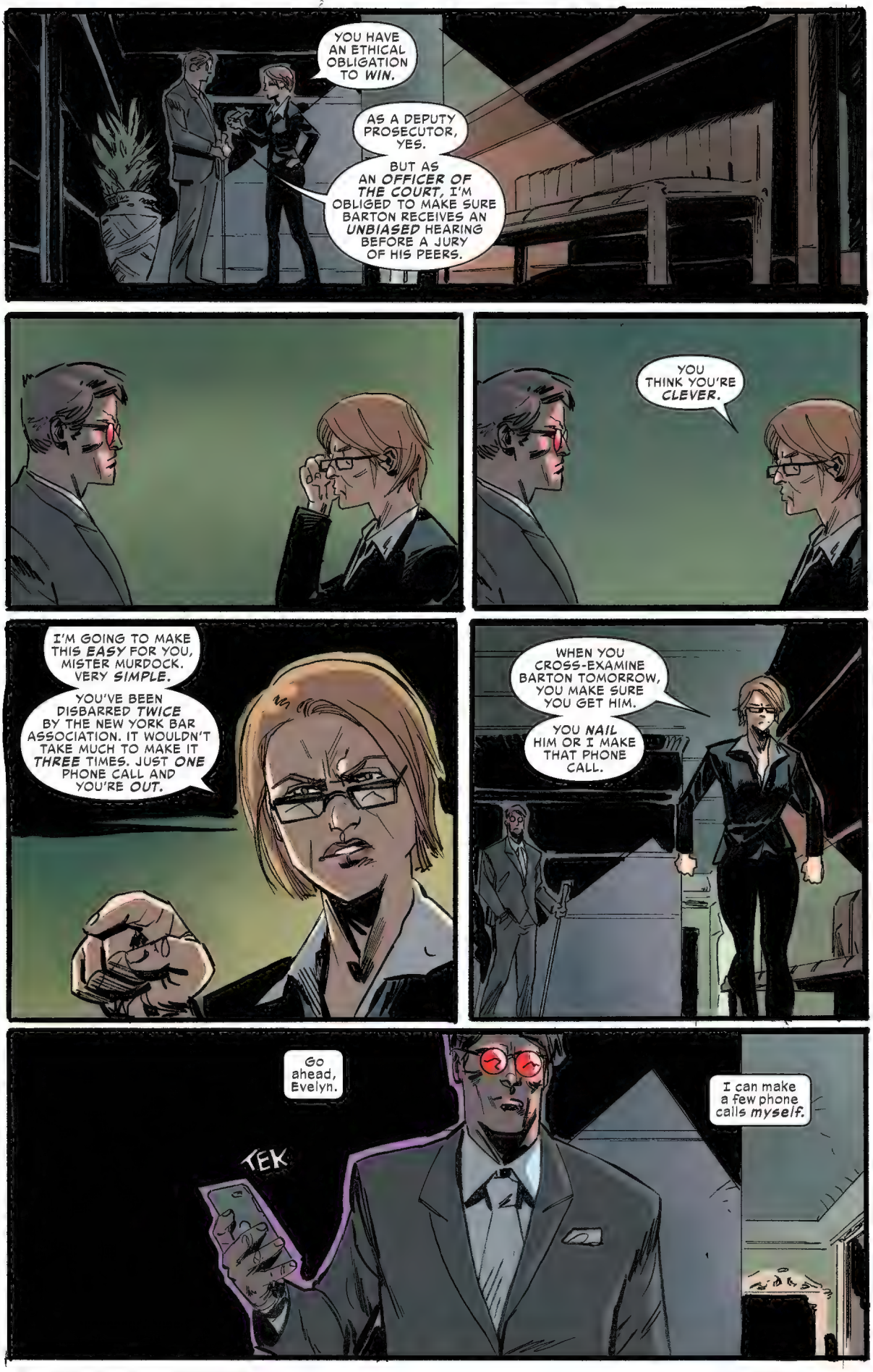
"...DO SOME DIGGING YOURSELF."
This is a waste of time.
Not to mention a *felony*, breaking into the *Department of Justice*.
To dig up dirt on my *co-counsel*.
But I don't need *heightened senses* to know that this trial is developing a particular kind of *stench*.
Some *"independent fact-finding"* couldn't hurt.
E. STANZLER

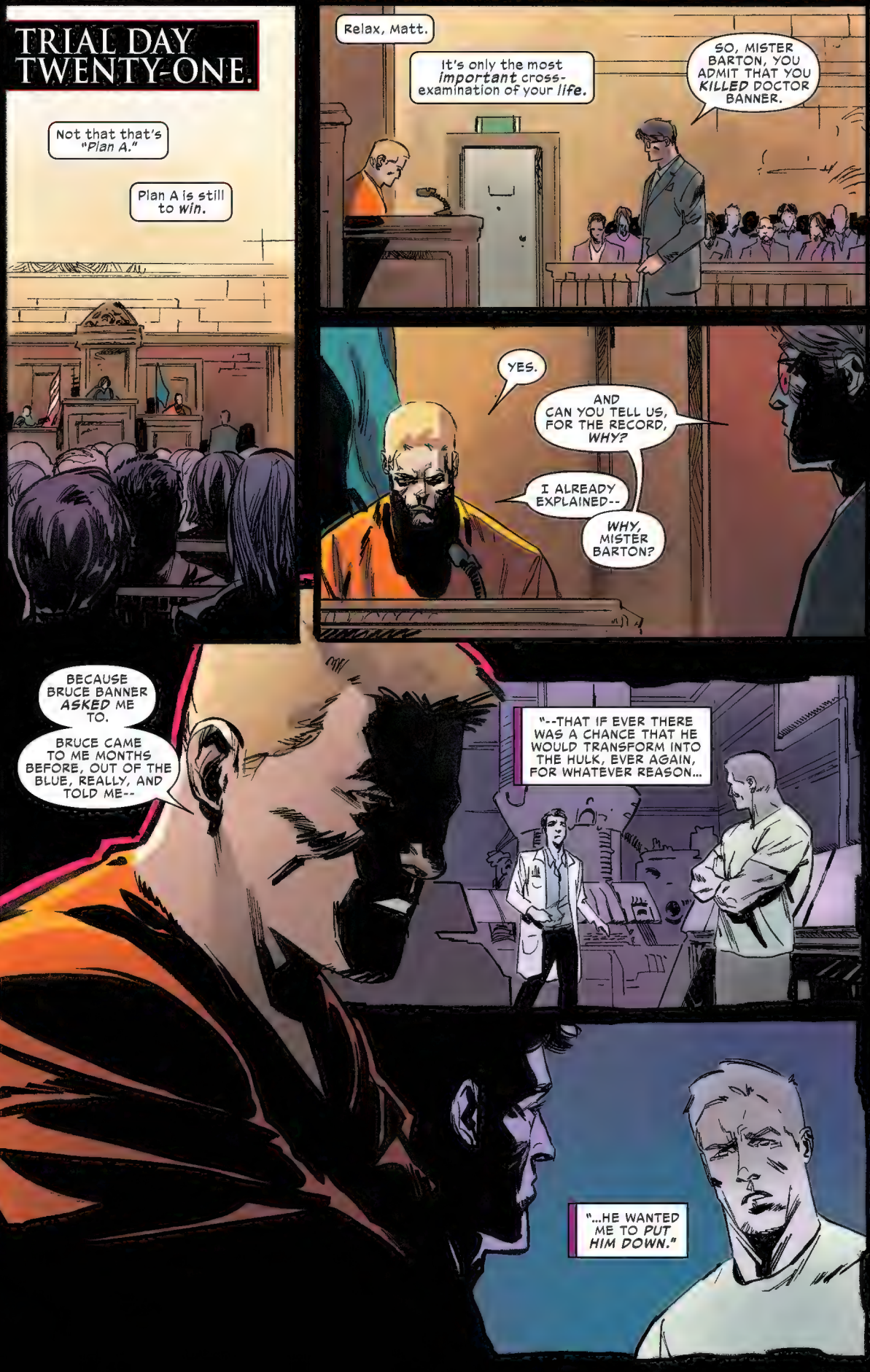

Unfortunately, Stanzler is purely *digital*, and without special software, a computer is just a piece of modern art to me--
FFT
Footfalls.
Unusual for an office at 2 AM.
Soldiers with M4s.
Even *more* unusual.
FOOMP FOOMP
Maybe this *isn't* such a waste of time after all.

I'VE SPOKEN WITH THE PRESIDENT AND I'VE SPOKEN WITH THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERSHIPS.
THEY'RE ALL READY TO PASS S.R.A. II...
"S.R.A. II"?
YES, GENERAL STRAKOFSKY.
SHORT FOR "SUPERHUMAN REGISTRATION ACT II."
My God...
...they're trying to do it again.
Registration Starts Now
BAN THE POWERS
PAY NOW

I KNOW. I JUST THOUGHT, MAYBE THEY COULD'VE COME UP WITH A MORE IMAGINATIVE NAME.
I THINK WHAT EDWARD WAS TRYING TO SAY IS THAT WE'RE ON THE TEN-YARD LINE HERE.
ALL THEY NEED FROM US IS POLITICAL COVER.
IN OTHER WORDS, A CONVICTION FOR CLINT BARTON.
ONE SUPER HERO KILLING ANOTHER...
...BUT DON'T WORRY.
WE'RE PUTTING PRESSURE ON THE JUDGE.
AND I CAN CONTROL MATT MURDOCK.
Oh, can you, Ms. Stanzler?


TRIAL DAY TWENTY.
EXCUSE ME?
YOU HEARD ME, YOUR HONOR: I WISH TO WITHDRAW THE GOVERNMENT'S MOTION TO EXCLUDE DOCTOR BANNER'S VIDEO DIARY.
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR HEARSAY OBJECTION?
FOR STRATEGIC REASONS, WE'VE DECIDED TO WITHDRAW IT.
STRATEGIC REASONS.
STRATEGIC REASONS.
TELL ME, WHAT "STRATEGIC REASONS" COULD YOU POSSIBLY HAVE FOR TANKING YOUR OWN CASE, MATT?
I DIDN'T "TANK" ANYTHING, MS. STANZLER.
YOU WITHDREW THE HEARSAY OBJECTION. YOU LET BACK IN EVIDENCE YOU'D ALREADY GOTTEN EXCLUDED--
I'M NOT REALLY AT LIBERTY TO DISCUSS MY TRIAL STRATEGY.
YOU GIFT-WRAPPED AN ACQUITTAL, FOR GOD'S SAKE--
NO, I DIDN'T.
YOU THREW THIS ENTIRE TRIAL--
I DIDN'T DO THAT, EITHER.
I MADE SURE CLINT BARTON RECEIVED A FAIR TRIAL.
THAT'S WHAT THE POINT OF ALL THIS IS, ISN'T IT, MS. STANZLER?


YOU HAVE AN ETHICAL OBLIGATION TO *WIN*.
AS A DEPUTY PROSECUTOR, YES.
BUT AS AN *OFFICER OF THE COURT*, I'M OBLIGED TO MAKE SURE BARTON RECEIVES AN *UNBIASED* HEARING BEFORE A JURY OF HIS PEERS.
YOU THINK YOU'RE *CLEVER*.
I'M GOING TO MAKE THIS *EASY* FOR YOU, MISTER MURDOCK. VERY *SIMPLE*.
YOU'VE BEEN DISBARRED *TWICE* BY THE NEW YORK BAR ASSOCIATION. IT WOULDN'T TAKE MUCH TO MAKE IT *THREE* TIMES. JUST *ONE* PHONE CALL AND YOU'RE *OUT*.
WHEN YOU CROSS-EXAMINE BARTON TOMORROW, YOU MAKE SURE YOU GET HIM.
YOU *NAIL* HIM OR I MAKE THAT PHONE CALL.
Go ahead, Evelyn.
TEK
I can make a few phone calls *myself*.


TRIAL DAY TWENTY-ONE.
Not that that's "Plan A."
Plan A is still to win.
Relax, Matt.
It's only the most important cross-examination of your life.
SO, MISTER BARTON, YOU ADMIT THAT YOU KILLED DOCTOR BANNER.
YES.
AND CAN YOU TELL US, FOR THE RECORD, WHY?
I ALREADY EXPLAINED--
WHY, MISTER BARTON?
BECAUSE BRUCE BANNER ASKED ME TO.
BRUCE CAME TO ME MONTHS BEFORE, OUT OF THE BLUE, REALLY, AND TOLD ME--
"--THAT IF EVER THERE WAS A CHANCE THAT HE WOULD TRANSFORM INTO THE HULK, EVER AGAIN, FOR WHATEVER REASON...
"...HE WANTED ME TO PUT HIM DOWN."

I'M CONFUSED, MISTER BARTON... YOU SAID THAT DOCTOR BANNER TOLD YOU TO KILL HIM IF HE TRANSFORMED INTO THE HULK AGAIN--
I SAID "IF THERE WAS A CHANCE"--
BUT HE DIDN'T TRANSFORM, DID HE? HE DIDN'T HULK OUT--
HE WAS ABOUT TO.
NO ONE SAW THIS BUT YOU.
I CAN SEE THINGS DIFFERENTLY. MY SIGHT IS MORE ACUTE.
IT'S WHY I AM SUCH A GOOD SHOT. IT'S WHY BANNER CHOSE ME.
"HE WAS AGITATED. HIS EYE FLICKERED GREEN."
AGAIN, NO ONE SAW THIS BUT YOU.
OVER TWENTY ENHANCED INDIVIDUALS-- ONE OF THEM THE INHUMAN KARNAK, WHO HAS ENHANCED OBSERVATIONAL SKILLS-- AND NO ONE SAW THIS BUT YOU.
YOU THINK I'M JUST MAKING THIS UP? YOU THINK I WANTED TO KILL BRUCE?
NO. NO, I THINK YOU MADE A JUDGMENT CALL.
AND IT WAS THE WRONG ONE. AND NOW YOU'RE MAKING UP FACTS TO SUPPORT IT.
OBJECTION.
WITHDRAWN.

"DO YOU FEEL YOU DID THE RIGHT THING HERE, MISTER BARTON?
"YOU CAME TO UTAH WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO KILL BRUCE BANNER.
"YOU EVEN HAD A SPECIALIZED ARROW FOR THE OCCASION.
"ONE YOU BROUGHT WITH YOU TO UTAH.
"WHEN DID YOU NOCK IT?
"WHEN DID YOU NOCK THE SPECIALIZED ARROW?
"WHEN DID YOU LOAD IT INTO YOUR BOW AND PREPARE TO FIRE?
"WE HEARD TESTIMONY FROM COLONEL DANVERS AND MISTER STARK THAT THEY WENT INSIDE TO SPEAK WITH DOCTOR BANNER.
"SO WHEN DID YOU NOCK YOUR BOW?"

BEFORE.
I HAD MY BOW LOADED *BEFORE* BRUCE CAME OUTSIDE. I WANTED TO BE *READY.*
OH, YOU *WERE.* YOU WERE *SO* READY-- YOU BROUGHT THE ARROW, YOU LOADED IT, YOU AIMED--YOU WERE SO "*READY*" IT'S HARD TO IMAGINE ANY OTHER OUTCOME.
MISTER BARTON, I ASKED YOU A QUESTION EARLIER AND I DON'T BELIEVE I RECEIVED AN ANSWER--
DO YOU FEEL YOU DID THE RIGHT THING HERE?
I HONESTLY DON'T KNOW.
I HAVE NOTHING FURTHER.

LOOK, ALL I KNOW IS, THE HULK DROPPED A *HOUSE* ON MY COUSIN. YOU ASK ME, THAT CLINT BARTON'S A *HERO.*

HEY, THE GUY *ASKED* FOR IT, RIGHT? LITERALLY ASKED. THIS WAS LIKE, Y'KNOW, A MERCY KILLING.

BRUCE *WASN'T* TURNING. CLINT FLINCHED. HE JUMPED THE GUN. IT WAS TRAGIC, BUT...
ANY COMMENT, MISTER STARK?
MISTER STARK! MISTER STARK!

...WHAT? NO, I DON'T KNOW WHETHER HE SHOULD GO TO PRISON. I HAVEN'T FORMED AN *OPINION* ABOUT THAT YET.
MISTER STARK!
COMMENT ON THE TRIAL?
I--I DON'T WANT TO ANSWER ANY MORE QUESTIONS.

EVEN IF HE'S ACQUITTED OR WHATEVER, I FEEL *SORRY* FOR HIM. HE KILLED HIS FRIEND. IN FRONT OF ALL HIS OTHER FRIENDS.
I JUST PITY HIM.

WHAT TYPE OF *WIMP* USES A BOW AND ARROW, ANYWAY?

EVEN IF HE WINS, I DON'T THINK THE AVENGERS ARE GONNA WANT THIS HAWK-GUY BACK.
I MEAN, WOULD *YOU* WANT TO WORK WITH A GUY WHO KILLED ONE OF *YOUR* BUDDIES? I DON'T THINK SO.

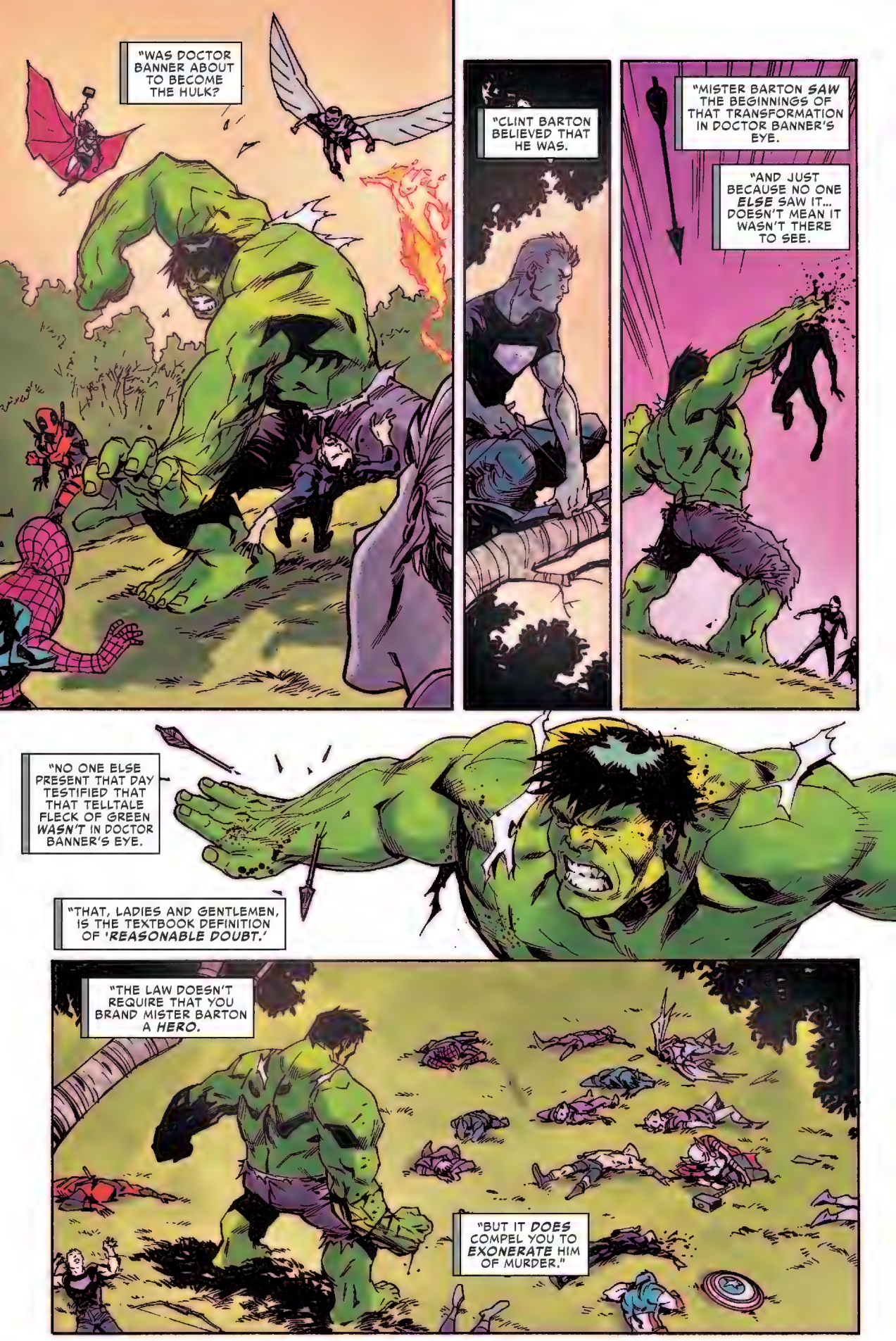
EVERYONE'S TALKING ABOUT WHETHER CLINT CAN "*WIN*" THIS TRIAL.
THERE'S NO WINNING OR LOSING HERE. WE'RE SO VERY FAR *PAST* WINNING AND LOSING.

HOW MANY PEOPLE DID THE HULK *MURDER* OVER THE YEARS?
AND *EXPERIMENTING* ON HIMSELF? THAT BRUCE BANNER *DESERVED* TO BE PUT DOWN. NO QUESTION.

TRIAL DAY TWENTY-TWO.
DEFENSE SUMMATION.
FORGET ABOUT SUPER HEROES FOR A MOMENT.
FORGET ABOUT HULKS AND SPECIALIZED ARROWS. FORGET ABOUT INHUMANS AND POWERS OF PRECOGNITION.
IMAGINE FOR A MOMENT THAT THIS WAS A BODEGA ROBBERY, THAT DOCTOR BANNER WAS GOING FOR A GUN AND THAT MISTER BARTON SHOT AND KILLED HIM IN SELF-DEFENSE AND DEFENSE OF OTHERS.

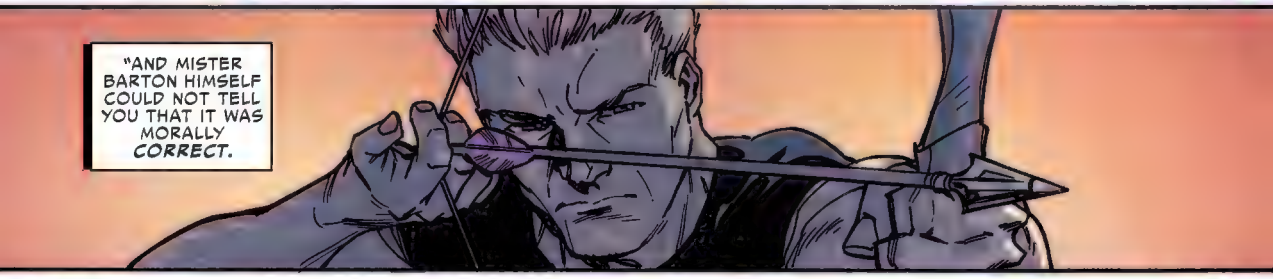
"PRETTY SIMPLE, RIGHT?

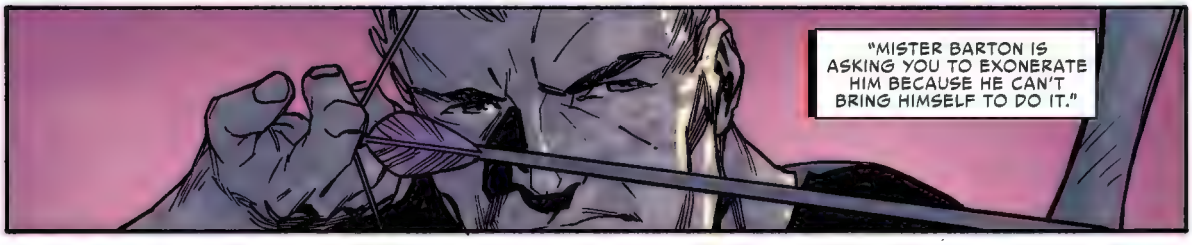
"CLINT BARTON SHOT AND KILLED BRUCE BANNER BECAUSE HE BELIEVED DOCTOR BANNER POSED AN IMMINENT THREAT."


"WAS DOCTOR BANNER ABOUT TO BECOME THE HULK?
"CLINT BARTON BELIEVED THAT HE WAS.
"MISTER BARTON *SAW* THE BEGINNINGS OF THAT TRANSFORMATION IN DOCTOR BANNER'S EYE.
"AND JUST BECAUSE NO ONE *ELSE* SAW IT... DOESN'T MEAN IT WASN'T THERE TO SEE.
"NO ONE ELSE PRESENT THAT DAY TESTIFIED THAT THAT TELLTALE FLECK OF GREEN *WASN'T* IN DOCTOR BANNER'S EYE.
"THAT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IS THE TEXTBOOK DEFINITION OF '*REASONABLE DOUBT.*'
"THE LAW DOESN'T REQUIRE THAT YOU BRAND MISTER BARTON A *HERO.*
"BUT IT *DOES* COMPEL YOU TO *EXONERATE* HIM OF MURDER."

PROSECUTION CLOSING ARGUMENT.
THE BODEGA ANALOGY IS CHARMING, BUT IT *IMPLIES* THAT MISTER BARTON MADE A DECISION IN THE HEAT OF THE MOMENT.
HIS OWN TESTIMONY TELLS YOU THAT IT WAS ANYTHING BUT.

"IT WAS CALCULATED AND IT WAS *PREMEDITATED.*


"AND MISTER BARTON HIMSELF COULD NOT TELL YOU THAT IT WAS MORALLY *CORRECT.*


"MISTER BARTON IS ASKING YOU TO EXONERATE HIM BECAUSE HE CAN'T BRING HIMSELF TO DO IT."

"BECAUSE HE KNOWS.
"HE KNOWS HE KILLED A MAN IN COLD BLOOD.
"AT WORST, IT WAS AN EXECUTION. AT BEST, IT WAS A MISTAKE.
"EITHER WAY, MISTER BARTON NEEDS TO BE PUNISHED."

TRIAL DAY TWENTY-THREE.

LEVEL 02

FUMP

YOUR HONOR.

WE NEED TO *TALK.*

I KNOW THAT YOU'RE CRAFTING THE ***JURY INSTRUCTIONS*** TONIGHT IN THE BARTON TRIAL.

I KNOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAN ***SWING*** A CASE LIKE THIS ONE.

D-DAREDEVIL.

AND I KNOW ***CERTAIN PEOPLE*** ARE BRINGING TO BEAR A LOT OF PRESSURE FOR YOU TO ***MANIPULATE*** THE JURY INTO A ***CONVICTION.***

BUT THAT'S NOT WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO.

YOU'RE GOING TO ***ENSURE*** A ***FAIR*** TRIAL.

THAT'S WHAT I'VE BEEN ***TRYING*** TO DO.

DON'T LIE. I CAN ***TELL.***

JUST LIKE I'LL BE ABLE TO TELL IF YOU'VE TRIED TO ***PREJUDGE*** THIS JURY.

DO WE HAVE AN ***UNDERSTANDING?***

"SO WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS...THERE WAS SOME KIND OF ***CONSPIRACY...***"

METROPOLITAN CORRECTIONAL CENTER.
POST VERDICT.

NOT "WAS." STANZLER AND HER FRIENDS... THEY'RE GOING TO *CONTINUE* TO TRY TO GET THE SUPERHUMAN REGISTRATION ACT *REINSTATED.*

ANOTHER THING I HAVE TO BE *SORRY* FOR, I GUESS.

THESE PEOPLE... THEIR ACTIONS ARE NOT YOUR *FAULT*, MISTER BARTON. OR YOUR *RESPONSIBILITY.*

A FRIEND OF MINE LIKES TO SAY, "*WITH GREAT POWER THERE MUST ALSO COME GREAT RESPONSIBILITY.*"

GOD, I *WISH* HE'D *STOP* WITH THAT QUOTE...

A GUY LIKE ME DOESN'T EXACTLY HAVE GREAT POWER.

YOU DID, ONCE DOCTOR BANNER PUT THAT HULK-KILLER ARROW IN YOUR HANDS.

IF YOU FEEL THAT WAY, IF YOU WERE SERIOUS ABOUT MAKING SURE I GOT THE *NEEDLE*...

...WHY'D YOU LET BANNER'S VIDEO DIARY INTO EVIDENCE?

BECAUSE THERE WERE FORCES ARRAYED *AGAINST* YOU. AND I WANTED TO *UN-STACK* THE DECK.

ANY REGRETS?

ABOUT MAKING SURE A MAN RECEIVED A *FAIR TRIAL?*

NOT A SINGLE ONE, MISTER BARTON.

SO YOU THINK THE TRIAL WAS FAIR?

IN THE END, *VERY.*

AND THE *VERDICT?*

DO YOU THINK THE VERDICT WAS FAIR?

I DON'T KNOW, MISTER BARTON.

STOP THE MADNESS
"I HONESTLY DON'T KNOW."
HE SAVED US
NEW YORK BULL
HULK KILLER ACQUITTED
POLL GIVES BARTON OVERWHELMING SUPPO

NOT THE END.

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